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# Kotha Raghuramaiah

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**Kotha Raghuramaiah** (6 August 1912 – 6 June 1979) was an Indian politician who served as a Member of Parliament.

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## Family  [edit]

Raghuramaiah was born in 1912 to Kotha Jagannadham and Kotamma in [Sangam Jagarlamudi](#) in [Guntur district](#) of [Andhra Pradesh](#), [South India](#). He had two brothers and six sisters. He married Suguna Jampala in 1936. Later, he was married to Lakshmi Raghuramaiah on 3 July 1937.<sup>[*citation needed*]</sup>

## Education  [edit]

Raghuramaiah was educated at Andhra Christian College, Guntur and [Lucknow University](#). He studied Bar-at-Law from [Middle Temple](#) in United Kingdom. He was awarded Gold Medal in the All India Inter-University Oratorical Contest (English) held at Lucknow, 1932–33. He was conferred Doctorate Degrees by [Andhra University](#) in 1975 and by [Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati](#) in January 1977.<sup>[*citation needed*]</sup>

## Career  [edit]

Raghuramaiah joined Government of India service as Deputy Secretary in the Department of Law. He relinquished the job to enter active politics in 1949. He was elected to the [Indian Parliament](#) from [Tenali](#) and [Guntur](#). He served as a Union cabinet minister of Defence, Civil Supplies, Petroleum and Chemicals and Parliamentary Affairs.<sup>[1]</sup><sup>[2]</sup><sup>[3]</sup><sup>[4]</sup>

- Practiced Law in Madras High Court, 1937–1941
- Joined Provincial Judicial Service in 1941; between 1941 and 1951, held various posts like:
- Assistant Secretary, Legal Department, Government of Madras – 1941.
- Assistant Director of Employment and Regional Publicity Officer (Madras) in the Resettlement Directorate of the Ministry of Labour, Government of India.
- Assistant Solicitor to the Government of India, Ministry of Law.
- Deputy Secretary and Joint Secretary, Legal Department, Government of Madras
- Legal Secretary and Legal Remembrancer to the Government of Madras.
- Reesignation from Government service in 1951.
- Enrolled as an Advocate of the Supreme Court.
- Editor, 'Asian Recorder', 1955.
- Member, AICC, 1955–59.
- Legal Advisory Committee, AICC, 1956.
- Secretary, [Harijan Sevak Sangh](#), Madras.
- Vice-President, Madras Corporation Labour Union prior to 1942.
- Member, Executive Committee, Indian Institute of Public Administration, 1954.
- Member, Railway Corruption Enquiry Committee, 1954.
- President, P.& T. Workers' Union (Andhra Circle), 1954.
- President, Andhra Pradesh Life Insurance Salaried Officers Association, 1954.
- President, All-India Postal Employees' Union, Class III, Andhra Circle, 1956.
- President, All-India R.M.S. Employees Union, Class IV, Andhra Circle, 1956.
- Member, First Lok Sabha, 1952–57, Second Lok Sabha, 1957–62, Third Lok Sabha, 1962–67, Fourth Lok Sabha 1967–70 and Fifth Lok Sabha 1971–77.
- Member, Executive Committee, Congress Party in Parliament – 1954.
- Secretary, Executive Committee, Congress Party in Parliament – 1955.
- Convener, External Affairs Standing Committee, 1952–57.
- Member, Estimates Committee 1954.
- Member, General Purposes Committee and Rules Committee, 1955–57.
- Chairman, Petitions Committee, 1955–57.
- Deputy Minister of Defence, May 1957.
- Minister of State for Defence on 16 April 1962.
- Minister of Defence Production on 14 November 1962.
- Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour & Employment on 9 June 1964.
- Minister of Supply in the Ministry of; Industry and Supply on 13 June 1964.
- Minister of Supply and Technical Development on 3 October 1964.
- Minister of State in the Ministry of Law on 13 March 1967.
- Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals and of Planning and Social Welfare on 13 March 1967.
- Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Chemicals and of Social Welfare on 5 September 1967.
- Minister of Petroleum and Chemicals on 23 August 1968.
- Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Shipping and Transport on 14 February 1969.
- Cabinet Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Shipping and Transport 26 June 1970 – March 1971.
- Cabinet Minister of Parliamentary Affairs in February 1973.
- Additional charge of Ministry of Works and Housing in October 1974.
- Minister of Works & Housing and Parliamentary Affairs.
- Minister of Tourism & Civil Aviation and Parliamentary Affairs in December 1976.
- Chairman, Government of India Tobacco Delegation to Far East, 1954 and Tobacco Export Committee, 1956–57.
- Member, Indian Central Tobacco Committee, 1953–57.
- Vice-President from 1955–56; Alternate Delegate to the Trusteeship Committee of the United Nations, 1956.
- India's Representative in the U.N. Committee on Information from, Non-Self Governing Territories, 1956.
- Alternate Delegate to the U.N. General Assembly, 1956.
- Member, Executive Committee of the Indian Parliamentary Group, 1955–57.
- Member, "Law of the Sea" Conference, Geneva, April 1960.
- delegate to the International Parliamentary Council Meeting at Nice (France) in 1957 and at Dubrovnik (Yugoslavia) in 1966.
- Represented Government of India at the function, of the assumption of office by the President of Philippines in December 1969.
- Leader of the Indian delegation at the International Highway Conference held at Montreal in 1970.
- Member, Indian Parliamentary delegation to USA in 1970.
- Attended Colombo Housing Ministers Conference at Sri Lanka in 1975.
- Leader of Indian Delegation to the 21st Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held in New Delhi in 1975.
- Leader of the Indian Delegation to the U.N. Conference on Habitat held in Vancouver in June 1976.
- Leader of the Indian Delegation to the 22nd Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held in Mauritius in September 1976.

## Honours  [edit]

- [Andhra University](#) conferred Doctorate Degree in 1975.
- [Sri Venkateswara University](#) conferred Doctorate Degree in 1977.
- Two colleges in the towns of Narasaraopeta and Duggirala in [Guntur district](#) were named in his honour.

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